

Ramapo College of New Jersey
Academic Review Committee (ARC)
Minutes of February 22, 2017 meeting
TAS Conference Room – ASB 422

Meeting started at 3:05 PM

Present: Stephen Anderson (TAS, Chair), George Gonpu (ASB), Susan Kurzmann (Library), Karl Johnson (SSHGS), Carol Bowman (SSHS), Meredith Davis (CA), Eric Daffron (Provost's Office, ex-officio),

Absent: Michele Dunn (Registrar, ex-officio), Michelle Johnson (Student Success, ex-officio)

I. Minutes of the February 15, 2017 meeting were approved

II. Discussion Items:

- Impact of adding credits to lab courses on revised program requirements. Invariably some programs will exceed the 68 credit 'cap.
- Issues of the 1.5 credits fitting into Ramapo's 68/40/20 system
- Lecture and lab courses that were submitted to GECCo as part of the Gen-Ed Scientific reasoning category. GECCo had reviewed both lecture and lab components under the assumption that both would be in gen-ed. However, in order not to exceed the 40 cap on gen-ed, only the lecture component can be formally counted in gen-ed. The submitted program revisions that were reviewed had both lecture and lab in the Gen-Ed, as this was the original assumption.

III. Decision Items:

- MATH 205: Mathematical Structures (Gio Viglino). Re-reviewed syllabus that previously returned from the 2/15/17 meeting for additions/corrections. Approved, with gen-ed lab revision (ARC # 17-145)
- Revised Chemistry Major requirements (Sarah Carberry, Convener). Approved (ARC # 17-146)
- Revised Biology Major requirements (Bill Mitchell, Convener). Returned for clarifications
- Revised Biochemistry Major requirements (Seung-Sup Kim, Convener). Returned. ARC requested a memo explaining/justifying total credits in the major (70/71, depending on gen-ed lab assignment)
- Revised Environmental Science Major (Emma Rainforth, Convener). Submitted document had major at 68 credits, revised to 69 based on gen-ed lab issue. Approved, 'with ARC recommended exemption' (ARC # 17-147)

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm.

Submitted by Stephen Anderson